

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
WATER RESOURCES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2153  
ANSWERED ON:18.03.2002  
PICK UP DAM UNDER VARAHI LIFT IRRIGATION SCHEME  
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether any proposal from the Government of Karnataka for the construction of a pick up dam under Varahi Lift Irrigation Scheme is pending with the Union Government; and

(b) if so, the present status of the proposal and the time by which it is likely to be cleared?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) The modified project report on Varahi Irrigation Project received in Central Water Commission (CWC) in April, 1993 for techno-economic appraisal, was examined and comments sent to the State Governments for compliance. In January, 2002 State Government submitted a brief report on Varahi Irrigation Project involving surface & lift irrigation components and requesting for approval of the same in the light of the revised guidelines for submission, appraisal and clearance of irrigation and multipurpose projects. This report has been examined and found to have major deficiencies in that it does not contain the details/information as required to be submitted in the preliminary report. The State Government has been requested for submission of the preliminary report as per the revised guidelines, finalised recently.

The clearance of the project is linked to prompt and satisfactory compliance of the observations of the Central Water Commission.